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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Joint Application of Minnesota Power Company and
Wisconsin Public Service Corporation for Authority to
Construct and Place in Service Electric Transmission Lines
and Other Electric Facilities for the Arrowhead-Weston Project,
Located in St. Louis County in Minnesota, and Chippewa, Clark,
Douglas, Lincoln, Marathon, Oneida, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, Taylor,
and Washburn Counties in Wisconsin

05-CE-113

NOTICE OF HEARING

Hearing Date:	September 16 through 19, and 22 through 24, 2003 – 9:00 a.m.
Hearing Location:	Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, WI (Amnicon Falls Hearing Room – 1st Floor)
Hearings in the Project Area:	to be scheduled

On November 10, 1999, Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPSC) and Minnesota Power Company (MP) jointly filed an application for the issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) for authority to construct the Arrowhead-Weston transmission line project. On June 29, 2001, the Commission approved the request of the American Transmission Company LLC and ATC Management Inc. (collectively, "ATC"), for a change in status in the docket from party to applicant. As part of this approval, the Commission declared that ATC was bound by all conditions, commitments, and agreements made by WPSC or MP in the course of the Commission proceedings. On October 30, 2001, the Commission issued its order in this docket authorizing WPSC, MP, and ATC to construct the Arrowhead-Weston project.

On November 26, 2002, ATC filed a petition requesting that the Commission's October 30, 2001, order be amended to include revised project costs, to clarify the effective date of the CPCN, and to allow ATC to construct a fiber-optic cable for the sole purpose of monitoring, operating and protecting the transmission grid.

The Commission reopened this proceeding on December 17, 2002, to consider multiple requests from ATC to modify the final decision. After soliciting the comments of the parties and other interested persons, the Commission, on April 24, 2003, ordered rehearing.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that a technical evidentiary hearing will be held beginning on September 16, 2003, at 9 a.m. in the Amnicon Falls Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, and continuing at times to be set by the presiding Administrative Law Judge. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

Hearings in the area affected by the proposed project will be scheduled and announced at a later date.

This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

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Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Jim Lepinski at (608) 266-0478.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

David C. Whitcomb
Administrative Law Judge

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